

## State of Louisiana Gaming Control Board

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RONNIE JONES CHAIRMAN

# IN RE: AMID TRVEL PLAZA, INC. D/B/A PALACE TRUCK STOP & CASINO NO. 3601509418

## **ORDER**

This matter was considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board at its meeting of December 20, 2018. The Hearing Officer's order dated November 15, 2018, based on the "Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement" in the matter of the "Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action", by and between Amid Travel Plaza, Inc. d/b/a Palace Truck Stop & Casino, No. 3601509418, and the State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is APPROVED.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the 20th day of December, 2018.

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AMID TRAVEL PLAZA, INC. D/B/A PALACE TRUCK STOP & CASINO

CASE NO.: 3601509418

## JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF COMPROMISE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

### TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER:

NOW COME the State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police (hereinafter, the "Division") and Amid Travel Plaza, Inc. d/b/a Palace Truck Stop & Casino (hereinafter, the "Licensee"), who file this Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement, and in support thereof would respectively show unto the Hearing Officer as follows:

1.

The Division and the Licensee are desirous of compromising and settling all disputes between them relative to the referenced administrative proceeding. In connection therewith, the parties have entered into a Compromise and Settlement Agreement, which by its terms will become effective upon approval by the Administrative Hearing Office and the Louisiana Gaming Control Board.

2.

A true and correct copy of the proposed Compromise and Settlement Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference for all purposes.

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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Division and the Licensee respectfully request that this Honorable Administrative Hearing Officer approve the parties' Compromise and Settlement Agreement.

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#### COMPROMISE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police (hereinafter, the "Division") and Amid Travel Plaza, Inc. d/b/a Palace Truck Stop & Casino (hereinafter, the "Licensee"), do hereby represent and agree as follows:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Gaming Control Board has sent a Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action to the Licensee, which Notice contains allegations of certain violations of Louisiana Gaming Control Law; and

WHEREAS, the issues raised by said Notice are set for hearing before the Louisiana Gaming Control Board Administrative Hearing Office.

WHEREAS, the Division and the Licensee are desirous of fully and finally compromising and settling all issues and disputes arising out of and in connection with said Notice;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, the parties hereto do hereby agree and stipulate as follows:

#### STIPULATIONS

 The Licensee is a Type 5 licensed establishment located at 12170 Old Gentilly Road, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70129.

- On April 20, 2018, May 7, 2018, and July 16, 2018, the Division conducted compliance inspections at the licensed establishment which revealed violations of Louisiana gaming law and regulations.
- 3. The Licensee did not meet criteria for an on-site restaurant, it failed to have food, menus, restaurant employees, table service, adequate seating, a fully functioning kitchen, it failed to notify the Division of restaurant relocation and changes in operation, and it failed to maintain current local occupational and board of health permits for its restaurant.
- 4. The Licensee did not have a designated on-site restaurant from July 10, 2018 to July 20, 2018, and it remained out of compliance for a period of three months before correcting all issues related to its on-site restaurant.

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. In lieu of administrative action, the Licensee will pay a penalty of TEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED and 00/100 (\$10,500.00) DOLLARS for its violation of La. R.S. 27:402(10), La. R.S. 27:412(A), La. R.S. 27:412(B)(2), La. R.S. 27:417(A)(2), La. R.S. 27:427(B)(1)(c), LAC 42:XI.2415(A)(1)(e), LAC 42:XI.2417(A)(1) and (3), LAC 42:XI.2417(B)(1), LAC 42:XI.2417(B)(2)(d), LAC 42:XI.2417(B)(4), and LAC 42:XI.2417(C)(1)(c).
- The Division hereby agrees that payment of a total penalty of TENTHOUSAND
   FIVE HUNDRED and 00/100 (\$10,500.00) DOLLARS shall be in full and final settlement of all matters set forth above and in the Notice of Recommendation of Administrative Action.
- 3. The Division reserves the right to take into consideration this admitted violation in connection with any future investigation, violation or assessment of penalty and in connection with any future assessments of the Licensee's suitability.

 The terms of this Compromise and Settlement Agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Louisiana.

5. This Compromise and Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Division and Licensee, pertaining to the subject matter contained herein and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, representations and understandings of the parties.

6. This Compromise and Settlement Agreement is subject to approval by the Hearing Officer and the Louisiana Gaming Control Board. It is expressly understood that if this proposed settlement is approved by the Hearing Officer, this agreement is not thereby executory, but will be submitted to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board for its determination as to whether to approve same or to remand the matter to the Hearing Officer for a full hearing on the merits.

7. If approved, the Licensee agrees to make full payment of the civil penalty within fifteen (15) days of approval of this settlement by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board. The Licensee agrees that failure to meet this requirement shall result in immediate suspension of the gaming license without the necessity of any further administrative action until such time as the penalty is paid in full.

I have read this entire Compromise and Settlement Agreement and agree to all stipulations and terms and conditions hereof.

Allison U. Rovira Modicut, Attorney, on behalf of

Amid Travel Plaza, Inc.

d/b/a Palace Truck Stop & Casino

Charlie Picou, AAG, on behalf of

State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety &

Corrections, Office of State Police

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#### ORDER

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 15 day of Overbee, 2018, came for consideration the Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement, and the parties having appeared by and through their respective attorneys of record or representing themselves, and the Hearing Officer having considered the pleadings on file, the proposed Compromise and Settlement Agreement, and the said Motion, and it appearing to the Hearing Officer that the said Compromise and Settlement Agreement should be approved; it is, therefore,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Compromise and Settlement Agreement attached to the parties' Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement be, and the same is hereby, APPROVED; that Amid Travel Plaza, Inc. d/b/a Palace Truck Stop & Casino must pay TEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED and 00/100 (\$10,500.00) DOLLARS to the Division within fifteen (15) days of approval by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board. Failure to do so shall result in the immediate suspension of the gaming license without the necessity of any further administrative action until such time as the penalty is paid in full.

SIGNED AND ENTERED this 15th day of November , 2018, in Baton

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